



**PRESS STATEMENT
MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA**

**UPDATES ON THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)
SITUATION IN MALAYSIA
6 August 2020**

Current Status of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Who Have Recovered

The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to inform that **11 cases** have recovered and discharged well today. **Cumulatively, 8,713 confirmed COVID-19 cases have been discharged** (96.4% of total cumulative cases).

Current Situation of COVID-19 in Malaysia

6 August 2020, 12 pm – a total of **15 additional confirmed COVID-19 case** were reported to the National Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) MOH today. Cumulatively there are now **9,038 confirmed COVID-19 cases** in Malaysia. Therefore, there are **currently 200 active and infective COVID-19 cases**. They have all been isolated and given treatment.

Of the 15 additional cases reported today, five (5) are imported cases who were **infected overseas**, involving three (3) Malaysians and two (2) non-Malaysians. The five (5) imported cases were travellers from the following countries:

- Philippines – 4 cases in Sabah
- South Africa – 1 case in Kuala Lumpur

Of the 10 **local transmission cases**, eight (8) cases are amongst Malaysians and two (2) cases are among non-Malaysians.

The details of the local transmission cases among **Malaysians** (8 cases) are as follows:

- Kedah – 6 cases: From the Sivagangga PUI Cluster, as detailed below.
- Negeri Sembilan – 1 case: From screening at a workplace.
- Labuan – 1 case: From screening at the international port of entry.

For the local transmission cases among **non-Malaysians** (2 cases), the details are as follows:

- Negeri Sembilan – 1 case: From screening of detainees among illegal migrants.
- Kuala Lumpur – 1 case: From community-targeted screening.

Currently, **two (2) confirmed COVID-19 cases** are receiving treatment in the intensive care units (ICUs), and one (1) patient require ventilation support.

No additional COVID-19 death was reported to the National CPRC MOH today. Cumulatively, there remains **125 COVID-19 deaths** in Malaysia (1.38% of total cumulative cases).

Six (6) Additional Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Detected in the Sivagangga PUI Cluster

As of 6 August 2020, 12 pm, a total of 2,351 individuals have been screened in this cluster. Of these:

- 30 confirmed COVID-19 cases
- 1,617 individuals tested negative
- 704 individuals awaiting results (sampling as of 5 August 2020)

The six (6) additional confirmed cases were detected in the Sivagangga PUI Cluster today through active case detection. One (1) of these six (6)

additional cases (Case 9,032) had close contact with family members who visited the restaurant involved in this cluster. The case began to experience respiratory symptoms on 2 August 2020. The case was later tested positive for COVID-19 on 5 August 2020 and was admitted into Sultanah Bahiyah Hospital, Kedah. The family members have been screened for COVID-19 and are awaiting results.

The remaining five (5) additional cases are from one (1) family (Cases 9,033, 9,034, 9,035, 9,036 and 9,037). They have a history of visiting one of the areas currently under the administrative Enhanced Movement Control Order (EMCO) in Kedah. They were admitted into Sultanah Bahiyah Hospital, Kedah for treatment. The cause of the infection in the family is still under investigation. These six (6) additional cases are the second-generation cases in the Sivagangga PUI Cluster. Screening of close contacts to these confirmed cases and active case detection are still ongoing.

MOH would like to inform that from the investigation on Case 9,023 from Kulim (case reported on 5 August 2020), a total of 15 close contacts have been identified and screened. The cause of infection for this case is still under investigation.

The current situation of this cluster will be communicated to the public from time to time. The public is requested to check the validity of the information received before acting on and disseminating the information.

Health Advisory on COVID-19

MOH advises the public to continue to remain vigilant and to always comply to the recommendations and health advisories repeatedly emphasised by the MOH. These advisories must be incorporated into everyday life as the new normal.

- Avoid the **3Cs**: Avoid **C**rowded places; **C**onfined spaces; and **C**lose conversations.

- Practice the **3Ws**: **W**ash hands frequently with water and soap; **W**earing facemasks are now mandatory in public areas (starting from 1 August 2020 as directed by the National Security Council) or highly recommended if symptomatic; **W**arn self and others for the following, in line with MOH's advisories:
 - Avoid shaking hands or touching others
 - Practice good coughing and sneezing etiquette
 - Seek early treatment if symptomatic
 - Stay at home and avoid from visiting others
 - Regularly clean and disinfect commonly touched surfaces in common areas

In addition to the SOPs, continue to adhere to **THiS**:

- **T**: Terms set under the Recovery Movement Control Order (RMCO)
- **Hi**: High-risk groups such as children, infants, older adults and the disabled must be protected, and if unwell with symptoms, to seek early treatment
- **S**: Safe physical distancing is practiced at all times, of at least 1 metre away from others

MOH will continue to monitor the development of the COVID-19 situation, both in the country as well as internationally, based on available information from the World Health Organization (WHO). The public will be continuously updated on the latest information. In addition, MOH will ensure that appropriate preventive and control measures are continuously implemented.

Thank you.

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6 August 2020 @ 5.00 pm

Appendix 1

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Malaysia, by States (Cumulative, as of 6 August 2020, 12 pm)

State	No. of New Cases *	Cumulative
Perlis	0	20
Kedah	6	131
Pulau Pinang	0	121
Perak	0	264
Selangor	0	2,130
Negeri Sembilan	2	1,031
Melaka	0	258
Johor	0	743
Pahang	0	370
Terengganu	0	114
Kelantan	0	160
Sabah	4 (4)	406
Sarawak	0	678
WP Kuala Lumpur	2 (1)	2,493
WP Putrajaya	0	98
WP Labuan	1	21
Total	15 (5)	9,038

*() refers to imported confirmed COVID-19 case